

WHAT'S HAPPENING WEDNESDAY

Kansas Immunization Program

March 27, 2019

VFC Consultant On-Call

The Consultant On-Call can be reached Monday—Friday, 8:00am—5:00pm at 785-296-5592.



CHIEF CHAT

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has launched the third “How Vaccines Work” video for parents. Baby Jack is home from his check-up, but what should his parents expect? In the third and final video of CDC’s “How Vaccines Work” video series, “[How Vaccines Work: What to Expect When Your Child Is Vaccinated](#),” parents learn about the minor side effects their child may experience after getting a vaccine. You can also catch up on the entire video series [here](#). The video series will be promoted during National Infant Immunization Week (NIIW), April 27-May 4, 2019. Please share this new educational resource for parents! Learn more at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents/childhood-vaccines

As reported here last week, registration is now open for the 2019 Kansas Immunization Conference. We have not yet been able to secure all of the speakers, so the agenda has not been finalized. Interested participants may now register and will be advised at a later date how to select the breakouts you plan to attend. Registration is \$100 which includes all supplies, continuing education credit, breakfast and

lunch on June 12th and 13th, as well as refreshments during the breaks. To register today, [click here](#) or go to www.eeds.com/live/470686.

We are reminding everyone now that it is almost time for the annual Kansas Vaccines For Children (VFC) provider re-enrollment. This year’s enrollment process will take place in KSWebIZ. There is one last upgrade to be installed, then the enrollment period will be opened. There are a couple of things you can do right now, however, that will help to expedite your enrollment once the system is ready to go.

First, as was announced in the [What’s Happening Wednesday Chief Chat on January 9, 2019](#), the You Call The Shots online training for 2019 is available. Please refer to the above referenced issue of [What’s Happening Wednesday](#) for complete instructions related to this item.

You may also want to verify that the contact information for the medical director, primary VFC coordinator, and backup VFC coordinator is correct in KSWebIZ. Assuring this is done now will allow for accurate information as the enrollment process is completed.



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Vaccine Educational Opportunities With National Organizations

Voices for Vaccines releases new podcast episode on vaccine updates from the February ACIP meeting and March 5 U.S. Senate HELP committee hearing on vaccine-preventable outbreaks

Voices for Vaccines (VfV) has posted a new entry in its *Vax Talk* podcast series: [Vaccine Updates from ACIP and HELP!](#) "HELP" refers to the U.S. Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. In this podcast, Karen Ernst, VfV, discusses what happened at the February ACIP meeting when anti-vaccine activists tried to inundate and disrupt the meeting. Dr. Nathan Boonstra, Blank Children's Hospital, discusses the March 5 Senate committee hearing on vaccine-preventable outbreaks, where Ethan Lindenberger spoke about choosing to become vaccinated at age 18. Karen then interviews three leading vaccine advocates: L.J Tan, MS, PhD, Immunization Action Coalition; Lori Boyle, AGPCNP, Nurses Who Vaccinate; and Amy Pisani, MS, Vaccinate Your Family.

Visit the [VfV website podcast page](#)

Subscribe to *Vax Talk* via [iTunes](#) or [Google Play](#)

APHA Men's Health Caucus to host webinar titled "Perceptions of HPV Prevention in Men and Boys" on March 28

The Men's Health Caucus of the American Public Health Association (APHA) will host a 1-hour webinar titled [Perceptions of HPV Prevention in Men and Boys](#) on March 28 at 10:00 a.m. (ET). This webinar will discuss perceptions and knowledge related to preventing human papilloma virus (HPV) in boys and men. The presenters will be Jean Bonhomme, MD, MPH, founder of the National Black Men's Health Network; Hannah Balcezak, student researcher, Texas A&M University; and Shane Fernando, PhD, MS, FRSPH, assistant professor of pediatrics at the University of Northern Texas Science Center Department of Pediatrics.

[Access information about the webinar.](#)

[Register for the webinar.](#)

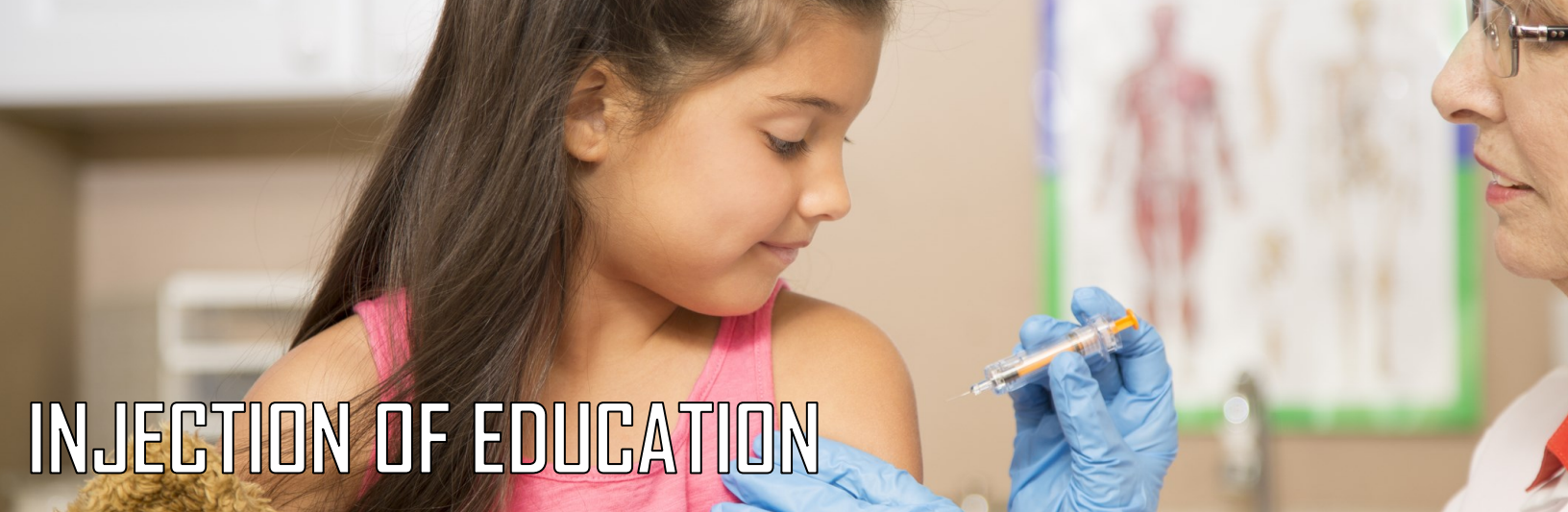
Vaccine Education Center Webinar with Dr. Paul Offit

The next "Current Issues in Vaccines" webinar co-sponsored by the Vaccine Education Center and the PA Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics will be held on Wednesday, April 3, 2019, at noon ET.

Dr. Offit will speak about the following topics related to influenza and the vaccine:

- Vaccine surveillance, 2018-19
- Vaccine effectiveness, 2018-2019
- FluMist®
- Vaccine safety: Spontaneous abortion
- Vaccine strains for 2019-20

[Register or get more information.](#) Archived events are available on the [webinar archive page](#), and free continuing education credits are offered (CME, CEU, and CPE) through the University of Pittsburgh and Wilkes University. Information about how to obtain credits is provided during the recorded event.



INJECTION OF EDUCATION

Part of a having successful vaccination practice is knowing where to find the answers to your vaccine related questions. Each week, we try to highlight resources to help your practice be successful and offer you answers to vaccine related questions quickly by referring to those resources.

If you are not familiar with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) [The General Best Practice Guidelines for Immunization, Best Practices Guidance of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices](#), you should take a little time to review it. Although it is a fairly lengthy document, it contains a substantial amount of information. It is also available in a [printer friendly PDF version](#) and has a [continuing education course](#) associated with it as well.

The General Best Practice Guidelines for Immunization includes in depth information on such topics as: reasons behind the vaccine schedule and series spacing, the 4-day grace period, vaccine interchangeability, contraindications and precautions including vaccine administration after receiving blood products such as a blood transfusion, adverse reactions, vaccine administration including preparation, needle and route selection, how to alleviate pain and discomfort, and special situations including specific medications or treatments, and special populations.

Be sure to bookmark it on your computer and take a few minutes to review its contents.

Kansas Medicaid Updated Coverage For Gardasil:

Effective with dates of service on and after March 1, 2019, the recombinant human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine (such as Gardasil® 9) billed under CPT® code 90651, will be covered for men and women from 9 to 45 years of age. Reimbursement of CPT codes for vaccines covered under the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program will not be allowed for children 18 years of age and younger. Read additional information in [Kansas Medical Assistance Program bulletin](#).

Influenza Surveillance March 27, 2019



The Influenza-Like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet) sites continue to monitor patients for influenza-like illness (ILI) – symptoms include a fever ($\geq 100^{\circ}\text{F}$) and the presence of a cough and/or sore throat. During the week ending March 16, ILINet sites reported 4.9% of visits were due to ILI. Syndromic surveillance indicated 6.5% of visits to emergency departments in Kansas were due to ILI. All data is subject to change. Influenza A/H3 activity has increased in Kansas during the past few weeks. The Kansas Health and Environmental Laboratories (KHEL) has detected A/H3 in 125 specimens, A/H1 in 60 specimens, influenza A (not subtyped) in three specimens and one influenza B (Victoria) specimen. Twenty-four influenza outbreaks have been reported to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) this season. As a reminder, outbreaks of any disease are reportable and should be reported to the epidemiology hotline at (877) 427-7317. Stay updated on influenza activity at <http://www.kdheks.gov/flu/surveillance.htm>.



2019 Kansas Immunization Conference

We are pleased to announce that the hotel contracts have been signed and room blocks are now available at seven hotels in Salina for the 2019 Kansas Immunization Conference. Please see the chart below for a list of hotels and details related to number of rooms in our block, room rate and deadline for guaranteed rate. Note that rooms will book quickly in Salina, particularly for the last night as the annual River Festival will follow our conference. When booking, please mention the Kansas Immunization Conference to get the rate listed.

Hotel	Rooms	Rate	Deadline	Phone
Hilton Garden Inn	10	\$132.00	5/9/2019	785-309-0440
Country Inn and Suites	43	\$82.00	6/1/2019	785-827-1271
Hampton Inn	90	\$129.00	5/27/2019	785-823-9800
Holiday Inn Salina	5	129.99 Doubles	5/11/2019	785-404-6767
Holiday Inn Salina	35	\$94.00 King	5/11/2019	785-404-6767
Holiday Inn Express	30	\$94.00	5/10/2019	785-404-3300
Candlewood Suites	20	\$85.00 Singles	5/13/2019	785-823-6939
Candlewood Suites	10	\$94.00 Doubles	5/13/2019	785-823-6939
Courtyard by Marriott	15	\$129.00	5/5/2019	785-309-1300

2019 KANSAS IMMUNIZATION CONFERENCE

VACCINES CAUSE ADULTS

JUNE 11-13, 2019

Tony's Pizza Event Center
800 The Midway | Salina, Kansas

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and Environment

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KU Area Health Education Center
(620) 235-4040
Brochure to follow.



KAFP Annual Meeting offers valuable CME for your practice

June 6-8, 2019 | Wichita, Kansas



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Kansas Academy of Family Physicians (KAFP) invites you to the 2019 KAFP Annual Meeting: "Connect. Interact. Learn." June 6-8 at the Wichita Marriott. This is your opportunity to network with fellow family physicians, participate in Academy business, and earn up to 20.5 CME credits. KAFP is pleased to offer a pre-conference session 'MAT Waiver Training' on June 5, free for KAFP members and only \$50 for non-members. Register for the MAT Waiver training with your Annual Meeting registration [\[click here\]](#) or as a separate event [\[click here\]](#). Visit www.kafponline.org/annualmeeting/ for Annual Meeting schedule, registration and more!

June 5, 2019 | 1 – 5:30 p.m.

Pre-Conference Session:
MAT Waiver Training

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CME sessions encompass social determinants of health, wound care, smart technology with children, long acting reversible contraception, POCUS, prostate cancer, COPD, obesity, diabetes, pediatrics, lupus and more. [View the full schedule here.](#)

Please contact the KAFP office at 316-721-9005 or email kafp@kafponline.org with questions about the meeting or registration. We hope you will join us to Connect. Interact. Learn!

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- *United Methodist Health Ministry Fund
- *CKF Addiction Treatment
- *Support of \$1,000+

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This Live activity, Kansas-AFP 2019 Annual Meeting, with a beginning date of 06/05/2019, has been reviewed and is acceptable for up to 20.50 Prescribed credit(s) by the American Academy of Family Physicians. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Click here to [register today!](#)